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Lost.

LOST.—In the neighborhood of James Bay, on Wednesday last, a young BROWN RETRIEVER DOG; answers to the name of Nero. Any one having the same in his possession will please leave it at the TIMES office. dec17

Meetings to be Held.

ST. ANDREWS and CALEDONIAN Society meets in their hall, Broughton street, between Government and Broad streets, on the FIRST FRIDAY of every month. All Scotchmen are invited to join.
WILLIAM SCOTT, Secretary.
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AN ENTERTAINMENT IS GIVEN AT TEMPERANCE Hall every Saturday evening. Good Temperance speakers and Musical Selections, with Recitations, forming a good programme. The Blue Ribbon Band will be in attendance. All are cordially invited. Chair taken at 7.30 o'clock precisely. S. GRAY, President.

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W. B. GLADWIN.

Ashcroft, B. C., Dec. 11, 1886. dec16 D&W 1m

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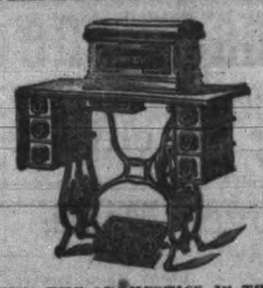

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Change of Business.

I DESIRE to inform my numerous friends and patrons that I have disposed of

UNCLE FRANK'S SALOON

to Mr. THOMAS BEBBINGTON, and would bespeak for him in the future that support which you have so generously afforded me in the past.
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CRUELTY--ADULTERY.

The Aylmer Divorce Case--A Wife Regrets Her Marriage.

An American Wife's Sad Life with a Titled Scapegrace.

A recent cable dispatch to the New York *World* announced that a decree nisi with costs had been rendered in the English Divorce Court in favor of Lady Aylmer, who in August of this year made application for an absolute divorce from her husband, Sir Arthur Percy Fitzgerald Aylmer, Bart., upon the grounds of extreme cruelty and unfaithfulness.

Lady Aylmer was before her marriage Miss Anna Reid, of Utica, daughter of James D. Reid, then Superintendent of the New York, Albany and Buffalo Telegraph Company and now attached to the Western Union Telegraph Company in New York city. While traveling in Europe in 1884 she met her husband, who had not then succeeded to the title, and whose chance for ever doing so seemed extremely remote, inasmuch as it was then vested in a young man, grandson of the present Baronet's granduncle.

MR. AYLMER WAS HANDSOME,

well educated and of courtly manners, and although of exceedingly moderate means, after an acquaintanceship of more than a year won the consent of the pretty American girl to be his wife. The ceremony took place at Kensington, Aug. 16, 1884.

Shortly after the wedding the Baronet was fatally injured by a fall from a bicycle, and the title and estates passed to the grandfather of Sir Arthur, who was old and blind. The newly married pair, upon invitation, went to live with the grandfather at Donadea Castle, the young husband undertaking the management of the property, which with the title, passed to him a few months later by the death of the grandfather. The brightest future seemed opening before the young people, and Lady Aylmer was showered with the congratulations of her girlhood friends. The estates, located in County Kildare, Ireland, yielded a yearly revenue of $70,000. The Crown grant conferring them upon the family is the oldest in Ireland. By the marriage contract the husband had settled $10,000 upon his wife, and assured her an allowance of £150 yearly for pin money.

THE YOUNG WIFE

soon found ample reason to regret her marriage, for, as she told upon the witness stand in the Divorce Court, within two days after the wedding Sir Arthur, while recovering from a drunken spree, attempted to strangle her, and when she made an outcry tried to smother her with a pillow. Sir Arthur and Lady Aylmer traveled on the Continent, and in September of last year came to America to visit Lady Aylmer's parents at Stockbridge, Conn. Here they remained for some weeks, and the secret of the Baronet's abuse to his wife became known to Mr. and Mrs. Reid. They urged their daughter to leave her husband, but she clung to him, expressing hope that in time she might wean him from his habits of intemperance. When not affected by liquor he made himself universally agreeable, and made many friends during his stay in this country. Upon leaving Stockbridge Sir Arthur and wife visited relatives of the latter in Rochester and Buffalo and then returned to England.

Despairing finally of working the desired change in her husband's habits, Lady Aylmer last August applied for a legal separation, and at the trial of the case the whole story of the brutality of the titled husband was spread upon the records of the Court. From this it appears that while Lady Aylmer was ill at a hydropathic establishment at Coombe in the spring of 1885 her husband, enraged at some trivial occurrence,

STRUCK HER A SEVERE BLOW

over the head with his walking-stick. Her screams brought her friend Mrs. McQueen to her assistance, and Lady Aylmer sought refuge in Mrs. McQueen's room. In July of the same year Sir Arthur left his wife at Deal and going to London was joined by a flower girl called "Rocky," who accompanied him to Dublin, where they remained for nearly a month. When asked by Justice Brett how she knew this to be a fact Lady Aylmer said her husband had told her of it. He returned to Deal in August and was taken ill, and after being nursed back to health by his wife repaired again to London and rejoined "Rocky," stopping with her at the Lord Warden Hotel, Dover. While waiting to take a ship for America, at Liverpool, he again assaulted his wife. The evidence further relates that while staying at No. 154 Queen's road, Bayswater, Sir Arthur struck his wife in the face with his fist. She was obliged to call in medical assistance. Sir Arthur was afterward turned out of the house by the landlady on account of this assault. The Baronet did not take the stand in his own defense, but pleaded through his counsel that he committed these acts while drunk.

The decree entitles Lady Aylmer to alimony, and at the expiration of the six months which, according to English law, must elapse between the decree nisi and the granting of an absolute divorce, the amount will be fixed by the court in proportion to the means of the husband. Lady Aylmer is still in London. Her mother is with her, having gone to her daughter when the latter found it impossible to live longer with her husband.

FROM ALBERNI.

Mr. Joseph G. Halpenny came down from Alberni last evening via Nanaimo and the Island railway. Up to within the last week the weather in that section was exceptionally fine. A few days since there was a slight snow fall, which disappeared almost immediately. On the way out from the settlement Mr. Halpenny encountered a great deal of fallen timber on the road and high water, which renders passage for team conveyances impossible until the timber is cleared. He also met Messrs. Planta and Bray en route to hold a sitting of the Court of Revision, but on being informed that there were no appeals against Mr. Mollet's assessment, they turned back. In the settlement there is a vast amount of building going on, that being the order of the day at this season of the year. Amongst these are two school houses and a number of houses and out-buildings for the settlers. Speaking of the townsite of Alberni, Mr. Halpenny says it is a very desirable location, admirably laid out with wide streets and well located for the convenience of the settlers. A saw mill is badly wanted at this point. The timber is of the finest description and in abundance. Mr. Halpenny will be in this city for about a week yet.

THE LAND LAWS.

To THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—In the *Colonist* of the 15th inst., we are treated to an article on land and timber grabbing, which to say the least of it, is a distorted statement of facts. No doubt the writer takes credit to himself as a public benefactor for sounding the alarm that our forests of timber are being denuded by reckless land-grabbers and foreign speculators, similar to that practiced by the Scotch Redwood grabbers in California. It is extremely to be deplored that a public journalist is so ignorant of the timber laws of the Province that he cannot make a clear statement of facts. If the writer of the article in question would read the timber laws of B. C. he might learn something. The timber laws are so plain that no mistake need be made and no need for scurrilous articles in the *Colonist* about foreigners. All timber locations in B.C., when staked off, must be entered and recorded with a plot of the same in the Surveyor's office, containing a full description of the land applied for and a published notice in a newspaper for sixty days (I don't think the act says the *Colonist*; I will look and see.) At the expiration of sixty days, if no adverse claim is filed in the land office, ten per cent. of the whole purchase money ($2.50 per acre) must be deposited with the Surveyor General at the land office; failure to comply with this subjects the location to forfeiture. Can any sensible man show these rapacious pirates and foreigners, who are prowling along the coast grabbing timber lands, where the timber grab comes in, unless it is in the addled head of the *Colonist*? I defy him or any other man to show where one acre has been fraudulently acquired on the coast when entered to be *purchased*. In the United States and territories it is not so guarded, hence the fraudulent entries and transfers. There is no parallel case (in B. C. and the United States in acquiring titles to timber land) but the *desperate foreigners* must be looked after. And what are we all, pray, on the Pacific coast but foreigners?

Now he goes for the men of *straw* pirating out timberland for foreign speculators and grabbers. I only wish the chap who wrote that article had been with me on the coast of British Columbia for the last twenty-eight years. I would have shaken the CHAFF out of him so clear that little *straw* would be left in him. I have assisted in locating timber on the coast and farms on the mainland. My knowledge of the coast, with its rivers and inlets, enable me to impart much valuable information to strangers coming into the province. I have not kept my dear-bought knowledge to myself; had I done so I might have been a bloated land grabber by this time. I heartily agree with the *Colonist* that land grabbing ought to be stopped, and no more favors shown to men who have come into the province, gripsack in hand, and left it in a few days with seven hundred and fifty thousand acres of land—I may say the garden of B.C.—for and in consideration of a railway that was to be built somewhere without a *terminus*. The timber laws ought to be amended so that every purchaser, and every lessee and timber claimant, will go on the land and drive in his own stakes, and show that it has been done, to the satisfaction of the Surveyor General. We don't want any more men of straw sending a man up to Queen Charlotte, or any other Island, locating tens of thousands of the best timber land in the province, paying nothing for it, only holding it until it rises in value. In conclusion, as the *Colonist* recommends, while Mr. Smithe is preparing his bill, steps should be taken at once to compel the landgrabbers to disgorge their ill-gotten holdings (unless they have an advertisement in the *Colonist*). So look out, you men of straw, down town.

Yours, WILLIAM DOWNIE.

P. S.—Any parties wanting information where to locate land, I will cheerfully show them where there is good land for several farms for homesteads without money and without price. W. D.

Victoria, Dec. 18, 1886.

A QUERY.

To THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES:

SIR,—As the *Colonist*, in a recent issue, was showing its wisdom on the tariff question and said, in effect, that our infant industries would not exist under a revenue tariff, will it explain how they would exist, provided we had free trade with the United States, in competition against them even in our own markets, not mentioning the idea of competing in theirs; or in other words, if they cannot exist with 15 or 17½ per cent protection, where will they be with reciprocity. Hoping it will give a direct answer to a direct question, I am.

ONE WHO WISHES TO KNOW.

Victoria, Dec. 17.

ESQUIMALT SCHOOL.

The Christmas examination of the Esquimalt school, of which Miss Nellie F. F. Wolfenden is the efficient teacher, was held yesterday (Friday) forenoon, in the presence of Trustees Doran and Cartmel; J. H. Innes, Esq., Mrs. Innes, J. N. Muir, Principal of Victoria High School, and several ladies and gentlemen and many of the parents of the pupils. The pupils were examined in various branches and showed a marked proficiency in all. Several recitations were given and suitable songs rendered in a very pleasing manner. After which two prizes were given, one, being a silver medal presented by Mr. Muir to the head pupil, which was won by Master C. Bunting, who was presented with it by Mr. Muir, who made a suitable speech to the children on the necessity of emulation in their studies and obedience to teachers and parents. Mr. Cartmel then explained to the children that only one prize was presented at Christmas which, as they all knew, was open to the whole school, being won by the highest number of marks in attendance, punctuality, deportment and neatness. This prize was won by Miss Mabel Bunting (C. Bunting being precluded) who won by only very few marks over Fred Bland. After a few well chosen words from Mr. Innes the pupils gave three cheers for their teacher, and three more for the trustees and visitors. They then separated for the holidays.

Hall & Quackenbush, Vancouver, B. C. have the most complete list of business and suburban properties for sale at the terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Price and terms to suit all parties. Inquiries by mail promptly answered. References. *

—Jos. Sommers' store is head-quarters for pictures, frames and mirrors. Mouldings in great variety; also latest patterns in fine furniture made to order at low prices; call and examine. *

—If Thomas Beatty, of Brockville, Ont., will call at THE TIMES office, he will find a letter for him, on important business. *

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Wreck of the Atlantic Near San Francisco--32 Lives Lost.

December and May--Revengful Husband--Romantic Marriage.

The Wrecked Atlantic.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Following is Captain Warren's statement regarding the wreck of the Atlantic: We were towed out to sea yesterday afternoon. There was a heavy head swell and no wind. The currents were so strong we could not get out of the swell; we let go both anchors, but the sea swept our decks and was so heavy that the anchors could not hold, and we dragged ashore and struck at 1:30 a. m. The men were being washed off during all this time by the immense waves which dashed over us. The vessel went to pieces in an hour and a half after she struck. There was a very heavy fog and it was pitch dark. We succeeded in lowering two boats, but both capsized before getting two boat lengths from the ship. The first boat contained Z. H. Doley, first mate; Anton Perry, second mate, and four or five of the crew; that was the last we saw of them. In the second boat were myself, second mate King, and five men. When we were swamped the sea carried us in till we touched bottom when we dragged ourselves ashore. During this time the ship remained together. The life saving crew shot a line over her. There were then several men on the wreck but they could not pull the rope on board because it became entangled with the wreckage. We made no signals of distress as the fog was too dense for anyone to be seen. The captain and crew numbered forty-two persons, and of these only ten are known to have been saved; the remainder it is believed have been drowned.

The second officer in describing the scene said it was a terrible one to witness. The men held on with a death-grip to the ropes, spars, or anything they could get hold of. He then graphically described how both boats which left the vessel were swamped, his battle with the waves and rescue. He concluded: "I have seen brave men but Capt. Warren beats any of them. I never saw a vessel break up so in my life. The timbers cracked and were torn to pieces as though they were paper instead of wood."

The Stock Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Stocks were fairly steady at the opening this morning. Business displayed less animation than any day for weeks, and soon became very quiet.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The bank statement shows a reserve decrease during the week of $72,000. The banks now hold $6,094,000 in excess of legal rule.

Baldwin Will Sell Out.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 15.—It is reported that the great Santa Anita ranche belonging to E. J. Baldwin, is about to change hands, a syndicate of British capitalists being the purchasers. The object of the syndicate is the development of a French market for California wines. The Santa Anita ranche is to be given up exclusively to grape-growing for this purpose.

Dead in Bed.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 15.—Robert Earsman, who came to this city about four weeks ago from Toronto, Canada, was found dead in bed yesterday. Upon searching his room a pint bottle of ether was found, and the supposition is he committed suicide. The Coroner's jury, however, returned a verdict of death from natural causes. Deceased was 30 years of age.

The Fishery Question.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The *Tribune*, commenting on the fishery correspondence, says: "The Secretary of State and the American Minister in London are good lawyers. They make out a very strong case, but action rather than diplomatic writing is needed. Why has the administration neglected to use the powers with which it was armed by Congress?"

Heartrending Scene.

KINGSTON, Ont., Dec. 9.—Some days ago the schooner "Ariadne," with barley, from Bath, near here, went ashore near Oswego. The crew suffered terribly and Thomas Cox, one of the half-frozen survivors, tells of the captain being swept overboard by a mighty wave and then adds: "About 8 o'clock on Wednesday morning last, Charles Dean, of Shannonville, was frozen to death at our feet. He sank to the deck and we had not the strength to do anything for him. He spoke the name of his wife at the last and said: 'God have mercy on my soul.' His body froze solidly to the deck. Two hours afterwards the captain's father, 68 years old, began to give up. He died hard. It was the worst sight I ever saw. He first became blind, then deaf, then raved like a maniac. Just before he became quiet he turned his face up and said: "Tell my dear wife how I died, and that my last thoughts were of her." The last word he spoke was the name of his wife. His body also froze to the deck close to our feet."

A Revengeful Husband.

HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 8.—A septuagenarian farmer, named Church, living at Falmouth, near Grand Pre, made famous by Longfellow's "Evangeline," married a handsome young girl named Christie, ten years ago, and settled $8,000 upon her in her own right as one of the terms of marriage. The bride soon tired of being an old man's darling and fell in love with Wm. Lithgow, the son of wealthy and highly connected parents. The aged husband soon became furiously jealous, and a separation followed. Still he pined for her company, and a legal document was drawn up and agreed to, in which she agreed to return to his home in the capacity of friend and companion, but not to resume the relation of wife. This state of affairs, however, was of as brief duration as it was unsatisfactory, and Lithgow's persistence in continuing his attendions to Mrs. Church soon enabled the patriarchal husband to obtain an absolute divorce. Then Lithgow, the co-respondent, married the discarded wife. Church immediately brought an action against him for betraying his wife and obtained $1,000 damages. Next he brought suit to recover the $8,000 marriage settlement, and to-day was given a verdict for the full amount with interest and costs.

—J. C. Devlin has received another consignment of choice Eastern Townships and Creamery butter, which is offered at low figures to the trade only. Give him a call before purchasing elsewhere. *1w

The Divorce Case.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Continuing his argument Mr. Finlay said the evidence of Dr. Hicks, who corroborated Dr. Bird in his assertion, based on a medical examination, that Lady Colin had not miscarried was worthless because the witness' mind was imbued with the views of Dr. Bird on the subject, the evidence of which showed that Dr. Bird was a thorough partizan. Concerning the *alibi* claimed for Lady Colin on Sunday, Aug., 1883, Mr. Finlay contended the evidence was of the weakest character possible. Is rested solely upon the testimony of witnesses belonging to Lady Colin's family, whereas Baroness Francis alleged that Lady Colin was in her company on Saturday, August 12th and Sunday morning, August 23rd, 1883. Lord Colin alleged that plaintiff was at Purfleet with the Duke of Marlborough. On the other hand the defense had clearly proved that Lady Colin was absent from home on that Saturday and Sunday. Where was she, but at Purfleet? Neptune Blood's attempt to disprove the manservant O'Neil's statement that through a keyhole in the dining room of Cadogan Place he had seen Lady Colin and Chief Shaw in a compromising position had also broken down and O'Neil's evidence remained unimpaired. As to General Butler, he contended that as co-respondent he would, if innocent, have appeared in court and denied the charge against him.

The Irish Question.

DUBLIN, Dec. 18.—Mr. Wm. O'Brien, who is now in Dublin, to day received a summons similar to the one served on him at Loughrea, to appear here to answer to another charge of conspiracy to defraud. A similar summons will be served soon, it is stated, upon John Dillon, Wm. Redmond, Daniel Oreily, Dave Sheety and Matthew Harris, all Parnellite members of Parliament. The alleged conspiracy to defraud consists in accepting as trustees for tenants reduced rents refused by landlords. It begins to look as if the government has arranged to resist the plan of the campaign by arresting the trustees under it in every locality wherein they accepted refused rents.

The Eastern Question.

SOFIA, Dec. 18.—The Bulgarian government has suspended relations with Gadban Pasha the special Turkish envoy to Sofia.

CABLE NOTES.

The ship brokerage firm of Cowan & Co., Glasgow, have failed, with liabilities placed at $500,000.

The British forces in Burmah have been reinforced.

The White Star and Canard lines have been forced to carry the British, American, Australian and New Zealand mails from Queenstown to New York and vice versa.

England has approved a circular note to the Powers relative to her position on the Egyptian question.

It is now believed that the offer of the Bulgarian throne to Prince Ferdinand, of Saxe-Cobourg-Gotha, was not sincere.

Italy has granted an extra $5,000,000 to the marine and war department.

Austria refuses to recognize the candidature of Prince Ferdinand to the Bulgarian crown.

The campaign has begun in Ireland in earnest. Meetings are to be held to-morrow and addresses delivered by Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien and Sir Thomas Esmond. The campaign will be in charge of Mr. Brady, who is now in that country. Messrs. O'Brien and Dillon were seriously injured by the runaway accident of Thursday.

MARINE.

The British bark Anamba, Captain Wink, 1100 tons, with a cargo of lumber from the Moodyville saw mill, has cleared for Yokohama, Japan. Her cargo is valued at $15,500.

The bark Bella Vista was sold at auction this week at Port Townsend for $1000.

The Geo. W. Elder sailed at noon today for San Francisco with a large number of passengers and the usual freight list.

The captain of the steamer Hope, which arrived from the west coast last night, reports a large ship ashore a few miles on this side of Cape Beale. She was almost submerged and the sea was so rough that the steamer could not approach her. The light-house keeper thought he could discern the letters "G. E." on the stern. The fate of the crew is unknown.

The bark Darra, Captain Story, 66 days from Brisbane, Australia, arrived in Esquimalt this morning, seeking.

The bark Antoinette, Captain Bunje, sailed from Hongkong on the 2nd Nov. for Victoria, and is now about due. She has over 1,000 tons of general merchandise consigned to Welch, Rithet & Co.

The Alexander has gone up to Departure Bay to tow the Prussia to sea.

The Pilot will tow the dredger from Fraser river to Chemainus.

SUPREME COURT.

(Before Hon. Justice Crease.)

Upon the application of Mr. Thornton Fell an order was granted appointing Mrs. M. E. Hopkins, the matron of the Victoria Home or Refuge for Chinese women, guardian of the two young Chinese girls, Ng Sing Tsoi and Lam Ah Mui, who were found in the toils of Ah Moy, recently fined $50. The girls will now have a comfortable home and will be well taken care of.

It has been disgusting to see the paid Chinese partisans of Ah Moy flocking about the court house and gaol, trying to bail out these girls to get possession of them again.

INTERIOR ITEMS.

[From the Kamloops Sentinel.]

Late advices from Pavilion Mountain state that mining in that locality is improving. The quartz at the Foster mine is getting better the further the lead is followed. A number of new claims have been taken up and no one wants to sell.

The rifle shooting match which took place at Quilchenna proved to be a grand success. Some of the best shots in the Nicola Valley, whose rare skill has been attained by killing the festive coyote at long ranges, were in attendance, and exhibited excellent marksmanship in repeatedly hitting a bullseye 2½ inches in diameter, at a distance of one hundred yards. Messrs R. J. Scott, B. B. Moore, J. Morrison, W. T. Thompson, and A. McConnell, particularly distinguished themselves in this respect. A capital dinner was provided by Mr. O'Rourke of the Nicola Lake Hotel, which is justly considered one of the best caravansaries in the interior of B. C.

—F. C. Innes & Co., Real Estate Brokers, and Financial Agents, Vancouver, B. C., attend promptly to all enquiries about the terminal city; *Free Reading Room* for use of strangers arriving in Vancouver. *

A CHICAGO OPERA

Is Visited by the Clergymen of that City--Galatea.

They Cannot Understand the Effects of the Ballet.

CHICAGO, Dec. 16.—Long before the curtain rose in the opera "Galatea," and its after piece, Rubenstein's "Bal costume," at the Columbia Theatre to-night, a coterie of newspaper men, was in casting furtive glances at every person who entered wearing the slightest approach to the ministerial cloth, seventeen of Zion's watchmen having previously sent in requests for the seats offered them by the National Opera Company, in order to obtain their opinion on the propriety of the ballet. Double seventeen seats had been assigned to ministers by the management, but contrary to the somewhat general expectation were scattered throughout the house. Theater people were in great glee. Manager Milward Adams was certain the clerical brethren would be there in full force. "Why," said he, "Prof. Swing is for us; Dr. Thomas has been present two evenings, and many of the others are favorably impressed." The first genuine preacher straggling in among the crowd of laity and some who could not wear that dignity, was Rev. Chas. Bixley, of Hyde Park. He took three seats. Then Rev. J. Rushton, with a kind of "I hope Bishop McCleren won't be here" look on his face, stepped in, and took a seat in the section occupied by Jefferson Park sports. Then there followed, in much the same style as scholars standing up in a row waiting to interview the ferule, Rev. E. O. Taylor, E Bostock, S. O. Keiner, David Utter, F. B. Townsend, J. S. Thompson, J. Spencer Kinnard, Rabbi Rosental, W Hartman, J. H. Mabie and Rev. Miss Kalloch. Older veterans of the cross were conspicuously absent.

The first part of the performance was apparently unobjectionable. "Galatea," the opera, over, then came the "Bal Costume," the "Polonaise," "La Cossaque," "Dance of the Almee," "Spanish Dance," "Grand Adagio," etc., almost without limit seemingly. Owing to the scattering ministers' seats, it was difficult to keep track of their occupants. It is known, however, that some fled before the ballet. Revs. Rushton and Bostock were among those who did not remain. Those who did stay beheld as gorgeous a vision as John saw on the Isle of Palms. Felicita Carrosa spinning around on one toe, Miles. Mavaron and Vio describing curves that would puzzle a geometrician in "La Cossaque," Miles. De Gilbert and Giuri in the "Dance Espagne," and an army of 92 pretty ballet girls kicking up their heels in every fantastical fashion imaginable, but which scarcely resembled a Sunday school concert. At the close, however, all present seemed to be well pleased, though they confined their praise, so far as known, to vague commendation of the artistic effects, not touching on the fact that the costumes on the stage were of the regulation type, displaying all the charms of voluptuous limbs in due proportion.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Primrose of Kootenay, is in the city.

Hon. A. N. Richards returned this afternoon from Ontario. He came by the North Pacific.

Mr. Chas. Todd, adjusting agent of the C. P. R. is in the city. He will return to the mainland in the morning.

Mr. George Beauchamp, of Toronto, son of Mr. R. Beauchamp, of this city, is visiting his relatives in the city. The young gentleman will spend the Christmas holidays here.

Mr. H. C. Beeton, agent for British Columbia at London, will visit Victoria next spring.

Messrs. Wm. Wilson and J. H. Turner have been visiting the Nicola mines. They returned to the city last evening.

Mr. Walter Hannington, of Spallumacheen, has left for New Brunswick to visit friends.

Oliver Harbell, who has lived in Port Moody for twelve years, has gone to Australia.

Passengers by the Princess Louise from Burrard Inlet last night: Captain Milton and wife, W J Proud, A McEachren, W A Beddoe, F W Hattlebury, C F Gladding, J Wilson, J H Turner, Capt Todd, A G Pemberton, J Duck, Dr. Hendrickson, S Marks, Turner, J G McDonald, R H Alexander, Miss Alexander, Mrs Corcoran, S Leiser, D E Brown, D McPhaiden.

Mr. Wm. Oliver, who has been captain and commander of the missionary steamer Glad Tidings since she was launched, has gone to Scotland to visit his aged parents.

Passengers by the North Pacific today: W Cowan, G White, T Hebson, J Thompson, A B Jackson, G De Wolf, J Cameron, Mrs Box, A N Richards, Jas Miller and daughter, H D Kidder, John Brown, J Nelson, J Parker, G Dodd, C Richard, J Thompson, J Myres, S Baker, J De Mara, Mrs Baron, P Peterson, J Linsley, C Miller, C E Corrigan.

Mr. Joseph Devlin, the gentlemanly young press agent of the Kate Putnam party, left to-day on the Geo. E Starr for Seattle, where his company opens a week's engagement. The young gentleman has long been connected with the eastern press and during his stay here made many friends and was enrolled among the honorary members of the "Pansey Club."

Ald. R. H. Alexander and Miss Alexander, of Vancouver, arrived down last night.

Mr. D. E. Brown, C. P. R. freight agent is in the city.

At the Oriental: Dr Hendrickson, S Marks, George Turner, Vancouver; C Todd, New Westminster; Captain H. A. Milton, wife and child, Winnipeg; E A Wadhams, Ladner's Landing; Miss Wadhams, Ladner's Landing.

At the Driard: Jas Truss, O G Hubert, Jno Seitz, San Francisco; W A Beddoe, J M Toole, Sadie M Loner, New York.

At the Clarence: D W Smith, Port Townsend; A G Pemberton, J Duck, South Thompson, J Pringle, Grand Prairie; Fred Jasper, Louisville, Ky.

Winnipeg Civic Elections.

The contest for the civic offices in Winnipeg on the 14th inst., resulted in the election of Ald. Pearson for Mayor, over Ald. Jones, by the narrow majority of six. The councillors elected are the following: Mulvey, McDonald, Ball, Ryan, Riley, Miller, Penrose, Hutchinson, Grundy, Black, D. McDonald and Polson. A recount will be demanded in the mayoralty election, and the contests for aldermen were in several cases so close that it is certain that several recounts of the ballots will take place.

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MR. MEREDITH'S PLATFORM.

The ostensible leader of the Conservative party in Ontario, Mr. W. R. MEREDITH, has issued a political manifesto to the electors of the province. The "platform" just promulgated is a comprehensive one, and completely reverses the traditions of the great Conservative party of Canada. Nowadays, a contemporary observes, statesmen do not care so much what views they hold themselves, as what views the people hold, and it is generally believed that the particular party with which they are allied, that can make the biggest bid in the direction of popular government will have a majority of the votes cast at the polls. The exceptions outside these considerations are rare, but very notable. In the position taken by the Hon. EDWARD BLAKE on the RIEL and Prohibition questions, he has demonstrated that something higher and loftier than mere party hack cries should be aimed at by the true statesman. It is found that every lower tier in the social pyramid is much larger than the higher ones; and so every downward addition involves a very great increase of the number of voters. It is generally believed that the new voters, and their affinities, naturally cleave to the particular party that gave them the right of exercising their franchise. Mr. MEREDITH accepts this belief and makes manhood suffrage his first plank. From time to time Mr. MOWAT has extended the franchise, and it became only a question of time until manhood suffrage would be the law of that province. The new electoral Franchise Act of the Dominion is, by many, also considered a step toward a similar end. Mr. MEREDITH'S second plank in the American system of fixed parliaments, whereby it would be enacted that the government, when defeated, would not be denied the right to appeal to the country; but cannot dissolve the House at will. This is intended as a slap at Mr. MOWAT for dissolving the Legislature a few months before its legal affluxion. It is also a mild reprimand to Sir JOHN for rushing on the general elections in 1883, a year in advance of the regular time, and for which there was no substantial, genuine necessity. It is urged that the proposed change in this respect will take from the government the power of springing an election on the people, and is for that reason urged as an advance toward popular control. An appeal to the people, however, can hardly be called, under any circumstances, an invasion of the people's rights. Mr. MEREDITH'S third radical measure is to put an end to expenditure for immigration. This is a natural corollary to protection. Having, with one hand, hindered the free import of other importable commodities, with the other we must check the import of the workingman's only commodity, namely, labor. Having, with one hand, checked commerce so as to build up home industries, we with the other, choke the home industries. With both hands we are determined to hinder national growth. He also refers to the schools and other questions now agitating the people of the east, especially those of Ontario. While these are Mr. MEREDITH'S pronouncements, many of his party have reared political superstructures of their own, such as favoring Home Rule for Ireland, the complete autonomy of the province and the absolute sovereign rights belonging to each. That there is no cohesim in the ranks of the Local Opposition in Ontario is plainly apparent.

URGING SELF-DEFENCE.

The most important duty of Congress at the present session, observes the New York *Sun* "is to provide with wise foresight and unstinted liberality for national self-defence. The question of the reduction of taxation is a secondary and minor one compared to this. No American of patriotic feeling will grudge the money which Congress may vote for the protection of the seaboard and lakeboard. This is a matter which touches the pride as well as the prosperity of the nation. Beyond the dread of the all but ruinous disaster which a breach between the United States and any foreign power possessed of even a few first-class modern ships of war might bring upon our greatest cities, is the feeling of humiliation that the republic, rich and powerful as it is, should lie helpless to the world. We cannot protect our own citizens. We must ask from foreign nations as a favor what we ought to be able to demand as a right. Our inability to repel attack from the sea is as notorious as it is pitiable. Could there be a more unsatisfactory position than to depend upon our weakness or the contemptuous good nature of foreign nations for protection? Could there be a more dangerous improvidence than to take no account of the chances of a war with some of these nations, and, with niggardly folly, to save the few millions of dollars which would insure us against the loss of hundreds of millions in the future? The beginnings of the new navy are already made under the skilful and honest direction of Secretary WHITNEY. The immediate and instant duty for Congress now is the preparation on an adequate scale of coast defence. No political squabbling, no effort at futile horizontalities, no attempts at superfluous and cranky legislation should delay the performance of this duty. There has been a tendency to try and make this matter of coast defences a party question, and the Republicans have sought to get some partisan advantage out of the unfortunate tardiness and uneconomical economy which the Democrats in Congress have shown in regard to it, unmindful of almost the last public utterance of their late illustrious leader. There is no politics in coast defence. If the country be left unprotected until England or Italy or Chili or Brazil—for everybody can whip us—bombards New York, and New Orleans, and San Francisco, the monstrous guns that destroy these cities will ruin Republican and Democrat alike. In this great work of national defence there should be no question nor division of parties. The representatives of both parties in Congress should make most liberal preparation for it. Patriotism and common sense and the general wish of the people should lead Congress to do this. Without delay and without haggling Congress should provide for national self-defence."

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

PREPARATIONS for the exhibition to be held in England in 1888 are being carried forward on a grand scale. The Prince and Princess of Wales have been invited to open the exhibition.

THE expenditure of the Dominion for the month of October, according to the Canada *Gazette* returns was $4,328,471 against a revenue for the same month of $2,719,824. This and other circumstances would indicate that there will be another serious deficit for the present fiscal year.

KING KALAKAU of the Sandwich Islands is going to have a regular Fourth of July when he gets home. His calico majesty has bought $3,000 worth of fireworks in San Francisco, where he has been seeing the sights and doing "a little shopping" for the holidays.

THE EMPRESS EUGENIE, who paid a short private visit to the Queen at Windsor Castle the other day, left Farnborough last Tuesday for Paris, where she only stopped to dine, going on direct to the continent. The Empress has been much out of health during the last few months, and latterly she has been suffering acutely from rheumatism.

PREMIER SULLIVAN and the Hon. Mr. FERGUSON, of Prince Edward Island, are in Ottawa renewing their demand upon the Federal Government for the fulfillment of the terms upon which that province entered the Confederation. The Island Government claims that the Dominion Government must either keep open continuous steam communication or compensate the province for breach of contract.

A WHITE Cross Army meeting was held in Toronto last week, presided over by Mr. N. W. HOYLES, barrister. All the speakers dealt with the social purity question, and expressed the conviction that impurity of life was a greater sin than drunkenness. Mr. HOYLES said the object of the White Cross Army were such that they should commend themselves to men in all ranks of life.

A navvy writing the London *Times*, says that he has been out of work for four weeks, looking vainly every day for a job. As to skilled artisans, he states there are 12,000 men belonging to the Amalgamated Engineers now out of work, and every trade union has a large proportion of its members signing the unemployed list. "I am sure," he continues, "from what I see as I go round looking for work, there are tens of thousands of honest men, skilled and unskilled, in London today who would be only to glad to take a job of work to-morrow morning if they could get one. Their families are starving; and those worst off generally do not complain." In a communication to the Government the Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders' Society, of Newcastle-on-Tyne, states that "there are at this present moment tens of thousands of honest, industrious men who, with their families, are almost starving through want of work." In that society alone there have been on an average 8,000 unemployed men out of a total of 28,000 during the past three years. Surely the Reform mourners will acknowledge that there is nothing like this state of things to be found in Canada.

THE CARIBOO RAILWAY.

Speaking of the proposed railway to Cariboo the other day Mr. Marcus Smith, C. E., observed that the whole of the country through which it would pass was long ago thoroughly explored and surveyed by a regular staff of engineers who were looking for the best route for the C. P. R. The reports and profiles of these engineers are now at Ottawa, and the information they contain would be of the greatest value to the promoters of the Cariboo railway scheme. Mr. Smith thinks there is a feasible route for the line, but it would be a great mistake to attempt to carry it near the Fraser. He very generously offers to furnish information, if desired, that would be of great assistance in determining the probable cost and the best route of the road. As this is a matter in which the country has a deep interest, we suggest that the provincial government should communicate with Mr. Smith on this subject. The surveys made by the Dominion government to determine the best route for the C. P. R. cost upwards of $4,000,000, and it is a pity if some of the vast store of information obtained at such a cost can not be made available for other projects. —*Columbian.*

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A CAMP IN INDIA.

THE NATIVE TROOPS OF GEN. ROBERTS' COMMAND NEAR DELHI.

The Ghoorkas and Sikhs—Uniforms and Other Features—An Elephant Battery of Heavy Guns—Many Sports and Exercises—A Picturesque Assembly.

The native troops struck me, and I believe our accredited officers are equally impressed, as being far in advance of what was looked for, the Ghoorkas and Sikhs being especially noticeable, the latter from their good height, fine physique, intelligence and general fondness for the service. They were among the last of the native tribes to yield to British rule, but have ever since been the most loyal of her majesty's Indian subjects. They were thoroughly devoted during the mutiny of 1857, and did good service against the rebels. Their stronghold is about Ameritsar, a city near Lahore, where they have one of their most sacred temples, known as the Golden temple. The Ghoorkas come from Nipaul, in the Himalayas, and show much more of the Mongolian type of feature. They are a rather short, but natty looking set of men, armed in addition to their side with a large curved sheath knife, which is worn on the belt. They are very unrelenting, and rarely spare the life of even a fallen foe.

The field uniform of all arms of the service is made of a material called karkee. It is a species of American duck of a yellowish clay color, and consists of a jacket, short trousers, and a pair of leggings called puttees, being a roll of cloth wound round the leg in a spiral form from the ankle to the knee, in a manner similar to that in which race horses' legs are bandaged.

UNIFORMS OF NATIVES AND EUROPEANS.

For full dress the native as well as the European troops wear the tunic of various colors and of different fashions. Red is still the prevailing color, but in conversation with officers I gathered the impression that the karkee color, or drab, is the one which many favor, as it so nearly approaches that of the soil as to make the soldiers almost indistinguishable; and I observed that when in the field, except for the turban which the natives wear at all times, it was difficult to discover a body of troops—especially if they were not on the march. The European soldier also wears his topy or sun hat with the karkee, and is less observable than the native. The Ghoorkas are an exception, and do not wear the turban, but in its stead a species of shell cap, not unlike the jaunty headpiece of the English soldier, with whom, by the by, he fraternizes more than any other of the native troops.

One of the features of this command that is especially striking to an American is its elephant battery of heavy guns, which I took the pains to examine quite minutely. There were really two kinds of draught, the elephant and the bullock, there being eighteen of the former and 300 of the latter. The wheel elephant is placed in a pair of wide shafts, and has a very large, heavy and strong saddle, not unlike a huge cart saddle. This is attached by a heavy leather band and iron chains to the shafts. He has also a strong breast strap and breeching. The lead elephant is hitched in a similar manner to that in which the lead horse is a tandem team would be. The bullocks accompany the battery not only for draught purposes, for which they use from four to six yokes for each gun, but because they are indispensable in time of action, as the elephant will not stand fire. He, realizing the danger, would be liable to stampede the guns, and hence is detached when the enemy is near, and bullocks yoked in. There were some superb specimens of the latter attached to the battery. There were also two or three mountain batteries, in which the guns and parts of carriages were on the backs of mules.

MANLY SPORTS AND EXERCISES.

Not the least interesting or noticeable feature of the Indian service is the great attention given to manly sports and exercises. Every opportunity is furnished for the development of the physique and for acquiring skill in the amusements, of which the most daring and probably the most popular is tent pegging. This consists in riding at full tilt and taking with the lance a rather short and broad tent peg from the ground; and you may be a little surprised when I tell you that Gen. Roberts led off in this sport, and with his team of four made the best score of the season. There were numerous other mounted and foot sports, such as lance against sword, sword against bayonet, sword against sword, bayonet against bayonet, tent pegging with sword, cutting lemons with swords, tug of war, foot racing, and acrobatic and gymnastic feats.

The march past of the entire force, some 35,000, closed the camp of exercises. It was done in the midst of a pouring rain. By the time the cavalry and horse and foot artillery had passed the reviewing point, the dark soil had been churned into the consistency of a thin bed of mortar, and when the native infantry came by, many of whom wore only the slipper, there was a sad loss of this rather necessary appendage of the foot soldier, and I rather think this test may bring about a change. All troops, native as well as European, marched by with great precision, and the line and dress of the double companies—we style them divisions—were admirably observed. As the elephant battery passed, the knowing animals raised their trunks and saluted, for which purpose they folded the trunk into the form of the letter S, holding it square to the front.

The appearance of the ground in and about the slight mound where the reviewing officer was posted calls for some attention, as it was made up of all sorts and conditions of men, from those who were in the handsome four-in-hand with native outriders, to the humble peasant who had trudged out five miles to see the grand parade. There were all sorts of mounts, but chiefly noticeable were the camels and elephants. I counted seventy-five of the latter, many richly caparisoned and provided with howdahs for carrying the families of chiefs. The sight was truly eastern, as all the natives were in holiday attire, and the gaudy colors of their dress made the assembly all the more picturesque.—Col. Floyd-Jones' Military Correspondence.

The Motives of Noble Actions.

When you see an action in itself noble, to suspect the soundness of its motive is like supposing every high thing, mountains among the rest, to be hollow. Yet how many pride themselves on this uncharitable folly! These are your silly vulgar-wise, your shallow men of penetration, who measure all things by their own littleness, and who, by professing justly to know nothing else, seem to fancy they earn a right to know human nature exclusively. Let none such be trusted in their judgments upon any one—not even on themselves always.—Family Herald.

Hard Struggle to Obtain a Hearing.

It is useless for any one to deny that writers unknown in literature have a hard struggle at first to obtain a hearing. Still, I believe that any one who has a story worth telling or original ideas worth recording—no matter on what subject—can eventually find some publisher with sufficient discernment to recognize the fact. In literature, as in everything else, people are like water—sure to find their level sooner or later. I think the plan I used frequently to follow is a good one for all young writers anxious to have their productions see the light of day. When I first aspired to write for something more substantial than love or glory, I made out a list of all the American periodicals, commencing with what I considered the best, and going by regular gradations to the poorest. If I wrote a story I would send it to all of these periodicals, commencing with the first, in the order of their refusal. Let any young writer do this, and, my word for it, if his effusion possesses any merit whatever it will not be rejected by the entire list.—George W. Cable.

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" 8:30	ESQUIMALT	" 4:30
" 8:35	GOLDSTREAM	" 4:25
" 9:30	SHAWNIGAN LAKE	" 3:18
" 10:05	COBBLE HILL	" 2:40
" 10:15	McPHERSON'S	" 2:15
" 10:22	KOKSILAH	" 2:05
" 10:33	DUNCAN'S	" 1:50
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Victoria, Saturday, Dec. 18, 1886.

DIED.

ANDERSON—At Salt Spring Island, on the 9th inst., George Henry Anderson, aged 25 years.

CITY AND PROVINCE.

—"Little Detective" to-night at the Victoria.

—Trains are again passing over the Coquitlam bridge.

—Fancy slippers for Christman's presents at G. H. MAYNARD's, Fort street. *

—More weather and less water would be acceptable at present.

—For first-class Canadian butter go to FELL & Co. *

—Gum boots and rubber garments are at par just now.

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—CORK sole boots made to order without extra charge at GEORGE H. MAYNARD'S.

—In the "Little Detective" Miss Putnam appears in five separate and distinct characters.

—For the cheapest and best variety of Nuts and Fruits for dessert, go to J. HAWKINS' 210 Fort street. *

—The Northern Pacific Railroad will reduce its passenger rates to 5 cents a mile for local traffic on January 1st, 1887.

—C. C. McCord has been appointed agent for the Canadian Pacific in Portland, vice C.P.Dixon, who abequatulated.

Costumes lent out for the carnival at the Skating Rink on the 23rd inst. A. A. AARONSON, Johnson street.

—Annual sale of unredeemed pledges at Uncle Aaronson's for three weeks only. *

—Photographic views along the line of the C. P. R. in B. C., for sale at R. MAYNARD's, Douglas St.

—A despatch from Seattle at 3 p. m. to-day, states that the wires were "grounded" out south of Point Elliot, W. T.

—Now is your time ladies. The largest variety of Christmas slippers in British Columbia at GEORGE H. MAYNARD'S, Fort St.

—For Christmas goods FELL & CO. have always carried off the palm, and this year have not only a much larger supply but a greater variety. *

—Christmas is near at hand, and FELL & Co., as they always have, had the first assortment of new fruits, and are now in receipt of a second consignment. *

—FOUR HUNDRED pairs sample shoes just arrived and will be sold at eastern cost during the holidays to clear them out—GEO. H. MAYNARD.

—The streets are in a deplorable condition to-day. In the country they are reported to be all but impassable, especially so in the New-Westminster district.

—All kinds of novelty Bon Bons, new Dates, Figs, Raisins, sweet Oranges, &c., for the holidays, at J. HAWKINS, 210 Fort street.

—The Christmas examination of the pupils of St. Louis College will be held next Friday. The holidays will be of one week duration.

—A choice lot of new Bacon, Hams, Canadian Butter and Cheese, Groceries, Provisions, &c., will be found at J. HAWKINS', 210 Fort street.

—PATIENCE REWARDED! Those who awaited the arrival of my Christmas fruits will now be rewarded by obtaining the best fruits in the market. A. OPPER, corner Government and Fort streets. *

—If you want to send "home" a Xmas or New Year's present that will be appreciated, send your photograph. Have it taken at Hall & Lowe's Government street.

—A party of surveyors arrived in Seattle last Tuesday who had been surveying for a line of railway between that city and New Westminster. They report having located an excellent route.

—The owners of the enjoined Port Moody property have been summoned to appear before Mr. Justice Gray on the 28th instant, when application will be made for possession by the railway company.

—The Rev. T. McCuaig, of Chalmer's church, Kingston, has accepted the appointment of the Home Missions Committee of the Presbyterian church, and goes as Missionary Superintendent to British Columbia.

—The Vancouver *News* says that a bill granting barristers from the eastern provinces the same standing and privileges as the British Columbia barristers will be introduced at the next session of the Local Legislature.

—Beak & Co.'s mammoth steer, decorated with blue ribbons and as docile as a kitten, was on exhibition in front of the London market this afternoon. On Monday morning it will fall a victim to the butcher's knife.

—It is said the condition of the men working at the big mills at Port Blakely on the Sound is but little better than that of the slaves of the South before the war. There is need of a little wholesome American legislation for that foreign principality.

—The Canadian Pacific Railroad has made contracts with the Wabash and Baltimore & Ohio for interchange of traffic Detroit to Chicago. The Canadian Pacific will soon be in Boston, via Grand Trunk and Boston & Lowell, and into New York via Lehigh Valley.

—"Rembrandt," the correspondent of the Portland, Or., Sunday *Welcome*, has been writing about Victoria, and the only thing wrong about our city was the ladies' large feet. He is enthusiastic about their complexions and their style of indoor dress. Who is "Rembrandt" anyhow?

—The respectable sum of $85.25, the net proceeds of the Athletic Club's exhibition in aid of Mr. Jas. Graham, was handed to the beneficiary last Tuesday by Mr. Thos. Deasy, president of the club. The Athletic boys are thinking of giving an exhibition and a dance at Saanich during the early part of January.

—The Hon. Provincial Secretary and the junior member for Esquimalt are at daggers' points as to whom is due the credit for moving in the matter of a university for this province. These two worthies—like cat and dog—however, are stealing the thunder and the credit due to others, for neither are deserving of any consideration in the matter, as many years ago steps were taken in that direction and land reserved for the purpose.

—Mayor Beaugrand's prolonged stay at New Westminster was caused by the washout at the New Westminster junction and the impossibility of getting the sleeper Matapedia across the Coquitlam bridge. It appears that the incessant rain in the mountains swelled that stream to such an extent that it overflowed its banks, carrying away a portion of the track at the west end of the bridge, whereby the safety of the structure was endangered, it having sunk considerable. This necessitated the transferring of passengers and baggage at this point on all east and west bound trains. The damage was so far repaired on Thursday morning as to enable the visitors and Mr. Geo. Olds to resume their homeward trip.

THE PEARL OF SAVOY.

The audience at the Victoria last evening was comparatively small and not nearly as large as the merits and ability of the Putnam Company deserve. If our theatre-goers desire first-class companies to play here they should extend to them a greater share of patronage, otherwise it may not be long ere Victoria is placed "on the list" of poor show towns, and first-class companies will then give it the go-by. The play last evening was the Pearl of Savoy, a pastoral drama in five acts. It was well presented and pleased the audience immensely, as evidenced by the frequent outbursts of applause. Miss Putnam was called before the curtain at the close of each act. As Marie she fully sustained her reputation. Mr. Devlin, as Pierrot, was very funny and kept the audience in a roar of laughter. Miss Fanny Mathias, as Choo Choo, played the part to perfection, and "made a hit." Mr. Emery, as Andre, and Mr. Hicks, as the Commander, could not be excelled. The remainder of the cast also did well.

To-night "Little Detective" will be presented, when Miss Putnam will appear in five separate and distinct characters.

AN IMPORTER'S TROUBLES.

Some days ago a small dealer in small live stock—pigs, geese, turkeys, &c.,—arrived from San Juan Island with a well-assorted canoe load of the quadrupeds and bipeds, expecting to sell them readily for the holiday trade. According to our customs laws no craft of less than fifteen tons is allowed to carry freight from a foreign shore to a Canadian port, and consequently the cargo was detained by the custom house officers. The owner was advised to go back with his property to San Juan, but the Indians who brought him over mutinied and would not return. The pigs and fowl remained for a few days at the wharf, under the vigilant eye of a custom house officer, and yesterday were shipped over to Port Townsend on the Geo. E. Starr for the purpose of being returned to-day on the steamer North Pacific, which is a craft of over fifteen tons. By this means the "majesty of the law" has been sustained, and the dealer has not been dealt with as severely as he might have been.

SKIDEGATE OIL.

THE TIMES recently made a test of the lubricating qualities of the Skidegate oil as compared with others. It was found that in body—a very great essential in a good lubricant—the Skidegate article was greater than that of the others, thereby making it more durable and better adapted to fine machinery requiring lubricating oil that will neither "gum" or "congeal." In this respect, while not equal to either pea, nut or sperm oil, the Skidegate article, in our opinion, formed by actual tests, considering its qualities and price, is preferable to all others. Those who have not yet tested this oil should do so, in order to judge for themselves.

PRESBYTERIANISM IN DONALD.

A correspondent writes that Presbyterianism had made good its existence in Donald, B. C., where Bible classes and religious services are being held regularly by one of our youngest missionaries. Two or three ladies, inside of a few hours, collected nearly $300 in Donald toward the church which is to be built there this fall. A supply of Bibles Testaments, Presbyterian hymnals and catechisms has been sent for, and will be distributed at various points along the mission field. The arrival of Rev. A. H. Cameron, who has been appointed to Donald, is anxiously waited for.

HIXON CREEK MINE.

The advices from this mine are of a very encouraging nature. At 130 feet from the surface sulphrates quartz was struck in a small vein of 6 to 12 feet in width. At 139 feet a 3 foot ledge was tapped, and now the whole length of the shaft, which is 4x6x9 feet, is in very good looking rock quartz, a large percentage of it being sulphrates. The last reports were to the effect that the last 12 feet was entirely through rich quartz a sample of which was exhibited in this office. Those interested in this mine are sanguine that good pay will be struck and that the mine will be not only developed, but fully worked.

ANOTHER EASTERN OUTLET.

The members of the C. P. R. directorate are engaged in constructing a line to take traffic from St. Paul to Montreal without passing through Chicago. We hope they will succeed and would suggest that they have other ports than Montreal which could do with traffic from the States. They have Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster and Port Hammond in this province. A railway from either of the last three into Washington Territory and Oregon would draw produce to the C. P. R. system, and would be of great service to this city. This company alone has the right to build such a line. Why then is this not done?

REPORT CONTRADICTED.

The information published on Thursday about the loss of the tug Champion, at the mouth of the Columbia river, has not been confirmed, and in the absence of any announcement of the accident in the Portland papers, or by telegraph, it is very probable that the report is untrue. There was a rumor at Astoria that the tug Pioneer had been lost at the bar, with all on board, which has since been contradicted, and this report was possibly the origin of the story related to us by the officers of the Idaho.

AFTER THE SEALS.

The schooner Pathfinder, under command of Capt. Leary and a crew of twenty-one men, left for the south this afternoon in search of seals. She will probably be absent five months and go south as far as Lower California for the fur-bearing aquatic mammals. On board the vessel are several young Victorians who went north last spring and were captured by the U. S. authorities and sent to San Francisco. They are in love with the avocation of seal hunting.

INJURY TO EYE.

A workman at the dry dock, Esquimalt, named James McGill, met with a very painful accident this morning. While employed in riveting, a piece of bolt an inch long by a quarter of an inch broad, which was being cut off, blew with great force into his eye. Dr. Frank Hall was summoned and succeeded in extracting it after some difficulty. The sight, it is thought, will be preserved.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

The Rev. John Reid, D. D., will preach in the morning and the Rev. Donald Fraser, M. A., in the evening, at the Reformed Episcopal church. The annual collection in aid of the church fund will be taken up.

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—Fresh oysters by the bottle delivered to all parts of the city. Young Bros., New England Bakery, Government street, between Yates and Johnson streets. *

—A full line of Walkemphast's just arrived at G. H. MAYNARD's, Fort St. *

OUR INDIAN DIALECTS.

A Careful Study Being Made of Them by a German Scientist.

Dr. F. Boas, of Berlin, who has been in the province for several months, studying the manners, customs, histories and languages of the natives, has visited most of the tribes on Vancouver Island and the mainland coast. On Vancouver Island there are 8 different languages and six dialects spoken, each dialect being so diverse as to be entirely unintelligible to Indians outside of the tribe that used it. He has traveled many hundreds of miles by canoe and steamboat, having visited all points on the island except the west coast. The doctor's observations show that between River's Point and the Fraser river there are seventy different tribes of Indians. On a chart which he exhibited to a Vancouver *News* reporter, the doctor has marked in colors the localities where the tribes have their homes. The doctor is commissioned to make his investigations by a scientific college attached to the Ethnological Museum, in Berlin, (leave of absence having also been given him by the government) one wing of which is entirely devoted to a collection of the flora, fauna and curiosities of British Columbia. The collection is said to be the finest in the world, excelling those in any part of Europe or America. The doctor is convinced that the Indians are slowly but surely dying out and that their existence on the face of the earth is only a matter of time. Dr. Boas intends to publish the result of his researches in a copious volume. His notes already comprise over 300 pages of manuscript and will be largely added to by the time his mission is complete. The word "Siwash," so the doctor says, is a corruption of the French word *Sauvage* which being literally translated means "a wild man." The doctor is stopping at the Oriental, having arrived from the mainland yesterday.

CHINESE PROSTITUTES.

The police court this forenoon was occupied in hearing evidence against Ah Moy, the wicked old keeper of a Chinese den. She was charged with keeping two girls, under sixteen years of age, for immoral purposes. Three witnesses proved that she had solicited them on the street, and Mr. Vrooman, the Chinese interpreter at the custom house, proved that the girls were registered in July last as 14 and 15 years old, respectively. The peculiarity of the Chinese method of computing age—a child being one year on its first birthday and two years old on its second—being allowed for, the girls in question would be respectively 13 and 14 years of age. The case was adjourned until Wednesday next, His Honor having to consider several objections raised by Mr. Charles Wilson, who appeared for the defence.

MUSIC! MUSIC!

M. W. WAITT & Co. have just received from London and Chicago a fine assortment of BAND INSTRUMENTS, which have been marked at extremely low prices; also, a splendid stock of GUITARS, BANJOS, VIOLINS, ACCORDEONS, and other Instruments, which will be sold at reasonable figures.

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OUR SEALERS.

A telegram from Ottawa on the 15th says our paternal government has only just completed a statement of the case against the U. S. authorities for the seizure of Victoria sealers in the Behring Seas last summer. The statement is said to be an elaborate one, and will be forwarded to the Imperial Government for presentation to the Washington authorities. It is certainly about time that this matter should be officially brought to the notice of the Americans.

GRAND OPENING OF THE NEW METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The grand opening of the new Methodist Sunday school will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday, the 21st and and 22nd instant, with a sale of articles suitable for Christmas presents. Lunch will be served from 12 o'clock to 2, and tea from 5 o'clock to 7 o'clock each day. Admission 25 cents; children half price. Admission free during lunch hours. All donations will be thankfully received by Mrs. Shakespeare and Miss Lazenby.

THE WATER WORKS.

The first practical step towards commencing the enlargement of the water works as authorized by the ratepayers, has been taken by the water works commissioner in advertising for 400 barrels of cement, and in calling upon engineers to send in applications for furnishing plans and specifications and superintending the proposed work.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The steamer Geo. W. Elder sailed today for San Francisco with the following passengers from Victoria: W Murphy and wife, Al. Hasel, Paul Dallet, wife and child, Mrs James, H Ward, A J McLelland, L Guichan and wife, M Lock, W S Backus, David Flesh, George Turner, Thos Knauss, A W Sypoll, M Hendricks, Frederick Kaye, Jas L Gray, R D Crittenden and 29 in the steerage.

THE CONCORDIA.

This place of amusement is drawing large audiences. The Spanish Troubadours in new selections this week, received with immense applause. Jeffreys Pendy in a delightful act. Sylvanio and Arthur, artistic acrobatic song and dance artists met with instantaneous success last evening. Great olio by all the artists. *

ELEGANT JEWELRY.

G. W. A. LANGE, watchmaker and jeweler, Government street, begs leave to draw the attention of his customers and the public generally to the very superior stock of goods in his line lately imported and manufactured for the holiday sales. They are too numerous to enumerate here and must be seen to fully appreciate their value and beauty; prices moderate.

THE REFORMED CHURCH.

Special services will be held in the Reformed Episcopal Church, Humboldt St. to-morrow morning and evening. The morning services will be conducted by the Rev. Dr. Reid and in the evening the Rev. Donald Fraser, B. A., of the First Presbyterian Church, Pandora street.

CONSIGNEES

Per the North Pacific from the Sound: Atwell King & Co, Carne & Munsie, G Lacroix, T Tilton, J Parker, J Cameron, J Wilson, Nicholas & Renouf, R Baker & Son, Vair & Costa, W W Evans.

EASTERN OYSTRSE

At JOE LEVY'S, Government street, just arrived, and the same price as Island oysters. Take home a fry. Sold by quart or gallon. Try them.

—In the list of U. S. Consular agents for the Dominion the names of the most important ones are given and salaries paid. We find the name of Col. Stevens of this port omitted. The only one instance is the salary paid over $2,000; that of the Consul General at Halifax being $4,000. The Hon. Allen Francis, for Port Stanley and St. Thomas, Ont., gets $2,000. At a few other ports a similar sum is paid; but the majority receive only $1,500.

THE GUNS ARRIVE.

Very Frigid Weather at New Westminster.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Dec. 18.—The three nine-pounder guns, with carriages, arrived here to-day from Halifax and are awaiting transhipment to Victoria.

The weather is turning cold, with a high easterly wind blowing and heavy rains since noon. It will probably turn to snow.

THE WRECK.

The Vessel Ashore at Cape Beale a Sealing Schooner.

From Mr. Joseph G. Halpenny, who arrived from Alberni last night, we learn some additional particulars about the wreck reported in the *Colonist* this morning. On Monday last news was brought to Alberni by the Indian mail-carrier, that a vessel, believed to be a sealing schooner, was ashore about one mile south of Cape Beale light, only the masts being in sight at that time. The Indian approached as near to the vessel as the heavy sea would permit, and was told by the Indians in the vicinity that a vest and a piece of flesh, believed to be from a human body, had been picked up some days before. The vest contained a "time-string," with sixteen knots, which goes to show that it belonged to a Siwash. The Indians said she must have gone ashore in a fog, while she was trying to make the channel for safety. A piece of board, supposed to be from the wreck, with the words "Charles Vy—"was found on the beach close to the wreck. The schooner must have been ashore ten days or more, and all the crew must have perished. This wreck is no doubt the one that was seen by the steamer Hope.

Gosnell's Sugar-Cured Hams, are now ready at his store, corner Cormarant and Douglas streets. *

—All the old stock cut down to half price at G. H. MAYNARD'S, Fort street. *

—GOODWIN & JORDAN, piano manufacturers, tuning and repairing. FACTORY COMMORANT street, between Douglas and Blanchard. First class work only. Telephone 98; P. O. box 422. *

—FELL & Co. having completed arrangements in the east for the supply of choicest Butter and Cheese from the best dairies, are now in a position to give their customers the full benefit of such arrangements. *

The 2d Dorset Regiment, which is now at Aden and has been abroad 15 years, is ordered home.

The British Postmaster-General says the new ocean mail arrangement effects a saving of £25,000 yearly.

Dr. Higginbottom said before the British Medical Society, "I have never known a disease cured by alcohol."

Miss Havelock, daughter of the late General Sir Henry Havelock, died last month in London, after a prolonged illness.

The will, dated August, 1881, of Mr. Samuel Morley was proved on the 20th ult., the personality declared at £467,474.

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NEW TO-DAY.

NO.—

A BY-LAW

To Provide for the Acquisition and Maintenance of a Public Library.

WHEREAS, The Subscribers of the Mechanics Literary Institute heretofore established and maintained at Victoria have resolved to hand over the Library of that Institute to the City Council as a free or partially free circulating library:

AND, WHEREAS, It is expedient to accept the the offer contained in the said resolution, and establish and maintain a public and partially free library; therefore—

BE IT ENACTED, By the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria as follows:

1. It shall be lawful for the Council to accept and take over, on behalf of the Corporation, the library of the Mechanics' Literary Institute aforesaid as a free or partially free circulating library, and to assume and pay any liabilities in connection therewith not exceeding in the whole the sum of $450.

2. It shall be lawful for the Council to establish and maintain a public and free or partially free library, of which the library accepted and taken over as aforesaid shall be the nucleus, to obtain suitable premises therefore, and from time to time to accept or purchase such additions thereto and such furniture as the Council shall deem expedient and to appoint a competent person to be the City Librarian, at such salary as the Council shall fix, provided that the total expenditure under the authority of this section shall not exceed the sum of $1200 in any one year.

3. The Council shall have power to make such rules and regulations, from time to time, for the management and use of the said library, and for defending the duties of the City Librarian, as they shall deem expedient.

4. This by-law shall not be finally passed until the assent of the electors of the City has been obtained in conformity with the provisions in respect of by-laws for creating debts.

5. This by-law may be cited as the Public Library by-law, 1886.

Passed the Municipal Council the 17th day of December, A. D. 1886

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JAMES D. ROBINSON
Clerk Municipal Council.

NEW TO-DAY.

A BY-LAW

For Raising the Sum of $25,000 for the Establishment of a Public Market.

WHEREAS, It is expedient to establish a Public Market in the city:

AND, WHEREAS, It is estimated that the cost of establishing such Public Market, and erecting and constructing suitable buildings and premises therefor, will be $25,000, which sum it is proposed to raise by way of loan upon the credit of the city as hereinafter mentioned.

AND, WHEREAS, It will require the sum of $1,776 to be raised annually by special rate for paying the debt intended to be hereby created, and the interest thereon:

AND, WHEREAS, The amount of the whole rateable property of the said Corporation, according to the last revised assessment roll, is $5,400,000.

AND, WHEREAS, For paying the interest and creating an equal yearly sinking fund for paying the principal of the said debt intended to be hereby created, according to the Municipality Act, 1881, an annual special rate of 1-30 of one cent in the dollar will be required:

AND, WHEREAS, It is intended to reduce the general rate so that the said special rate shall not increase the total rate of taxation:

Be it, therefore, enacted by the Mayor and Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, as follows:

1. It shall be lawful for the Mayor of the said city to raise, by way of loan, from any person or persons, or body or bodies corporate, who may be willing to advance the same upon the credit of the debentures hereinafter mentioned, a sum of money not exceeding in the whole the sum of $25,000, and to cause the same to be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of the said Corporation, for the purpose and with the object hereinbefore recited.

2. It shall be lawful for the said Mayor to cause any number of debentures to be made for such sums of money as may be required, either in currency or sterling money, not less than $500, or the sterling equivalent of that sum; each and all such debentures shall be sealed with the common seal of the said Corporation and signed by the Mayor.

3. The said debentures shall be made payable in thirty years from the day hereinafter mentioned for this by-law to take effect, at the office of the Treasurer of the said Corporation, City Hall, Victoria, and shall have attached to them coupons for the payment of the interest.

4. The said debentures shall bear interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum from the date hereof, which interest shall be paid half yearly, at the office of the said Treasurer.

5. For the purpose of forming a sinking fund for the payment of the said debentures, and the interest to become due thereon, an equal special rate of 1-30th of one cent in the dollar shall, in addition to all other rates, be raised, levied and collected in each year upon all rateable property within the said city of Victoria, during the continuance of the said debentures, or any of them.

6. It shall be lawful for the said Corporation, from time to time, to re-purchase any of the said debentures at such price as shall in each case be mutually agreed, and all debentures so re-purchased shall be forthwith cancelled, and no reissue of debentures, or any debenture, shall be made in consequence of such repurchase.

7. This by-law shall, before the final passing thereof, receive the assent of the electors of the said Corporation in the manner provided by the Municipality Act, 1881, and shall take effect on the first of March, 1887.

8. This By-Law may be cited as the "Public Market Loan By-Law, 1886."

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JAMES D. ROBINSON,
Clerk Municipal Council.

NO. —

A BY-LAW

To Ascertain the Wishes of the Ratepayers as to the Construction and Maintenance of Drainage and Sewerage Works.

Whereas under the authority of the "Drainage By-Law, 1885," which recites, among other things, that it is expedient and necessary to provide a complete and permanent system of drainage for the city, the sum of $500 was raised by way of loan upon the credit of the city and has been partly expended in obtaining plans and specifications for such a system of drainage and sewerage.

And whereas the said plans and specifications with bills of quantities, have been prepared by Messrs. Pickering and Crompton, of Whitehaven, in England, Civil Engineers, upon their personal examination of the city and its suburbs, and are now complete and in the possession of the Council;

And whereas it is estimated that the sum of $500,000 (Five hundred thousand dollars) or thereabouts will be required to be expended in or about the construction of the said works, and that the sum to be expended on such works in any one year shall not exceed $100,000.

And whereas the Corporation has not at present the necessary powers for raising the said sum, and it is expedient, before applying to the Legislature for such powers, to ascertain by direct vote the wishes of the Municipal electors as to the construction of the said works and for the maintenance of the works after construction; therefore

Be it enacted by the Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria as follows:

1. The vote of the electors of the city shall be taken on the following question:

(a.) Shall the proposed works be constructed?

2. The said vote shall, subject to the provisions of this By-Law, be taken in like manner as upon a By-Law for raising upon the credit of the Municipality any money not required for its its ordinary expenditure and not payable within the same Municipal year:

3. The ballot paper, on taking the said vote shall be in the following form:

SEWERAGE QUESTION.

	AYE.	NO.
SEWERAGE.....		

4. This By-Law may be cited as the "Drainage By-Law, 1886."

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BOOTS & SHOES

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A large line of Sample Shoes at Eastern Cost. Old Stock Cut to Half-Price to clear them out.

G. H. MAYNARD, - - Fort Street.

OPENING DAY

—OF—

ERSKINE'S

Boot and Shoe

EMPORIUM,

Corner Government & Johnson Sts..

SATURDAY, Dec. 18.

SANTA CLAUS

HEADQUARTERS.

THE EXPERIENCE OF ONE OF THE CUSTOMERS:

Much to buy, little to spend; the wants of his family had no end;
A pious thought came into his head; I'll try Henry Gribble's store, he said.
When he got to the door, and looked within, the big assortment made him grin;
There were fine goods, pile upon pile. He felt himself compelled to smile.
Gribble's prices he said, were cheaper by half, which pleased him so he had to laugh,
There was nothing he saw he couldn't afford. Go to GRIBBLE'S for bargains, he roared.

Don't fail to see his beautiful assortment of

TOYS, DOLLS AND FANCY GOODS,

The Largest, Best and Cheapest in the Province. Also the Beautiful Oil Paintings, which will be given away to the customers of

HENRY GRIBBLE, - - Government Street, Victoria, B. C.

NEW TO-DAY.

VICTORIA THEATRE.

J. P. HOWE.....LESSEE.

TO-NIGHT.

Engagement of the charming little Comedienne, the Nightingale of Song and Queen of Protean Stars,

Miss Katie Putnam,

Supported by her excellent Comedy Company.

JOHN WHITELY.....MANAGER.

Saturday Evening, Dec. 18,

LAST APPEARANCE IN

The Little Detective.

Kate Putnam in Five Different Characters.

Admission as usual. Change of programme nightly. Reserved seats at Waitt's. dec9

SAUSAGE SEASON

1886.

JULIUS BARRAN

SAUSAGE MANUFACTURER.

Yates St., Next the Clarence.

I beg to notify my customers that I am now prepared to supply the TRADE with the very best Sausages of any kind. I make large QUANTITIES of the BEST quality of Fresh sausages. I use only the best quality of meat, and the finest and most expensive spices that I can procure, and with careful hands and most extensive and complete MACHINERY, I am able to supply the trade with a FIRST-CLASS ARTICLE at a moderate price. At the same time I do not pretend to compete with the poor stuff that is offered to the public by others in the trade who have not the facilities, do not use good material, are not clean and not able to make a good article. The good qualities of BARRAN'S SAUSAGES are known throughout the whole Province, and every one should give them a trial.

de18 JULIUS BARRAN

Notice is Hereby Given

That the undermentioned persons intend making application to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase the undermentioned tracts of land situated on the north-east coast of Vancouver Island, and described as follows:—

No. 1. Commencing at a post on the shore about half a mile east of the mouth of Sanquash River, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 40 chains, more or less, to the shore line, thence following the shore line to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

F. G. RICHARDS, Jr.

No. 2 Commencing at the south-east corner of F. G. Richards' claim, thence south 80 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

A. A. GREEN.

No. 3. Commencing at the south-west corner of A. A. Green's claim, thence west 80 chains, thence north 80 chains, thence east 80 chains, thence south 80 chains to point of commencement, containing 640 acres.

W. P. SAYWARD.

No. 4. Commencing at the north-east corner of A. A. Green's claim, thence east 80 chains; thence northwest along the shore line to the northeast corner of F. G. Richards' claim, thence south 80 chains to the point of commencement containing 320 acres, more or less.

J. CARROL.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 14, 1886. dec18 law 2m

The Mayoralty

At the request of many friends, I shall offer myself as a Candidate for the office of Mayor at the ensuing Election. Trusting that my conduct during the past year may ensure the approval of my fellow Citizens, by again favoring me with their votes on the 10th January next.

JAS. FELL.

Victoria, Dec. 16th 1886 tf

Change of Business.

MR. STEVE O'BRIEN

Begs to inform his numerous friends that he has purchased the

Senate Saloon

Where he will be found in future, and will be glad to meet all his old friends and patrons. Nothing but first-class brands of Wines, Liquors and Cigars kept in stock.

Senate Saloon, Government Street. dec8

C. BYRNES, AUCTIONEER.

AUCTION.

Tuesday, Dec. 21st, 11 a. m.

FURNITURE, &c.

I have been instructed to sell on the premises, RAE STREET, opposite the Orphanage, a quantity of Household Furniture, consisting of Bedroom Suites, Mattresses and Bedding, Carpets, Chairs, Tables, Curtains, Crockery, Pictures, Ornaments, Glassware, Sofas, Stoves, Tinware, Perambulator, Sewing Machine, Wardrobe, &c., &c.

ALSO, AT SAME PLACE.

The Personal Effects of the Late William Sterling, Deceased,

Consisting of Oil Paintings, Ornaments, Large Opera Glasses, Hall Clock, Arm Chairs, Sitting Chairs, Table Damask, Covers, Handsome Bed, Lounge, a fine Ash Bedroom Suite, Mattress, Pillows, Blankets, Papier Mache Ink Stand, Chamber Set, Lamps, Kitchen Utensils, &c., &c.

G. BYRNES,
dec 17 Auctioneer.

Victoria Water Works.

TENDERS.

Sealed Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 o'clock p. m. on 22nd December, 1886, for the supply of 500 TONS PORTLAND CEMENT.

Specifications and full particulars can be seen at my office.

—ALSO—

Applications will be received up to same time and date from Engineers to draw Plans and Specifications and superintend the work in connection with the Reservoirs to be constructed.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

THOMAS RUSSELL,
Water Commissioner.

City Hall,
Victoria, Dec. 15, 1886. dec17 td

Municipal.

All Accounts against the Corporation are requested to be handed in not later than WEDNESDAY NEXT, the 22d inst.

By order.

JAMES D. ROBINSON,
City Clerk.

City Hall, 16th December, 1886. dec16

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Five Year Old

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IN CASES AND IN CASKS.

A. B. GRAY & CO.,

VICTORIA.

Sole Agents for British Columbia

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NEW WAYS.

THE undersigned having put up a new set of Ways at the

Trahey Yard, Victoria Harbor,

Are now prepared to take anything from the top to five hundred. We would respectfully solicit a share of the patronage of shipowners of Boating craft, as we intend to make our place second to none in the Province, and shall ever aim to give satisfaction. References given if required. RICHARD WARNER,

dec14 1m EDWARD EGMODE.